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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/692,234 for
METHOD FOR THE PLANARIZATION OF A
SEMICONDUCTOR STRUCTURE
Our Ref. No. 1406/175

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) in duplicate;
3. Copies of cited references (7 references); and
4. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filing stamp thereon.

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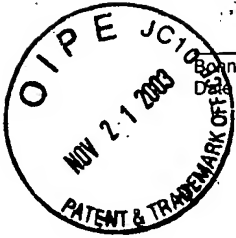
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Early passage of the subject application to issue is earnestly solicited.

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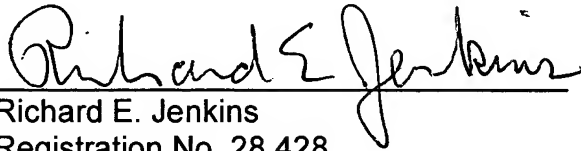
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